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Ted Lewis Beats Willie Ritchie in Exciting Bout.

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(The New York Evening World),
ED LEWIS, formerly of England, but now identified with the Johnston stable, beat Willie Ritchie last night in the Garden The bout went the full ten rounds. The last second of it found Ritchie fighting just as he always fights, tearing in after his man in a head long rush, while Lewis was running away so fast that he nearly knocked Referee McPartland through the ropes. But there was no chance for argument by the Ritchie followers. A glance at the two fighters told the tale of the battle. Ritchie was bruised and slashed, as if he'd fallen through a skylight and been run over by a truck. On Lewis's pale, gaunt face there was no fleck of blood, no sign of a brulse. So far as outward appearances went he might have entered the ring a moment before. And in spite of the fact that Ritchie's last furious effort in the ninth and tenth rounds swept Lewis off his feet and forced him to twist and run and dodge and duck, there were pienty of other times when he stood right up to Willie and traded blow for blow, and beat him at it.

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The Garden was well filled. A rattling semi-final between Harry Thomas and Harry Donohue warmed things up for the main event of the evening. Thomas had all his old time skill and aggressiveners, and made a fine fight of it, but the youngster is a comer, and at the end of the ten rounds he was going into the lead.

Ritchie and Lewis entered the ring. Red Roche, who had referred the pre-liminaries, was ready to officiate again, but Ritchie promptly objected. He said that Jimmy Johnston, who manages Lewis and runs the Garden shows as well, had agreed to have the bout referred by Kid McPartiand, in whose neutrality and ability Ritchie bed for the contraction of the contr

shows as well, had agreed to have the bout refereed by Kid McPartland, in whose neutrality and ability Ritchie had full confidence. Johnston called Roche out and sent McPartland in. The change pleased the crowd. McPartland has become the most popular referee in New York.

The fighters came together for a cordial handshake before the bell. The contrast was startling. Ritchie, black haired, dominant, sun browned and aglow with red blood; Lewis with gaunt face, high cheek bones, deep hollows under them fight, colorless hair, white eyebrows and lashes, and skin so white that it seemed to be covering a body without an ounce of blood in it. Ritchie was smooth muscled, wide shouldered, narrow waisted, Lewis was as well built, but under his white skin the muscles colled in lumps and ridges. The appearance of power and vitality shown in Ritchie was lacking in the Englishman, who looked half starved, almost corpse-like.

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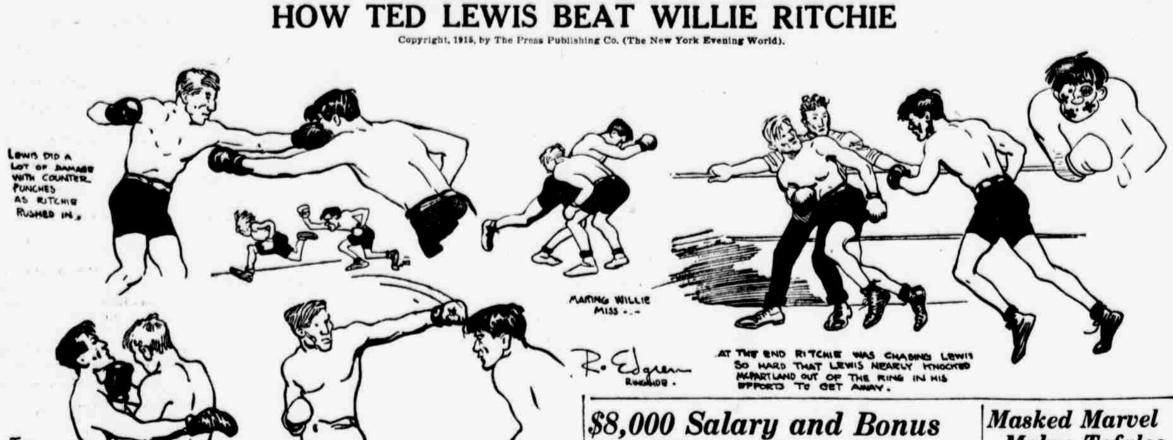
The bell, and the fight began. Ritchie started straight at Lewis. He jabbed, but landed lightly, for Lewis was floating away. Watchful and wary, Lewis avoided Ritchie's attack. Then suddenly he stopped as it came and shot a left hook at almost full sarm's length to Willie's head. It was a peculiar blow. It landed with the sound of a hammer hitting a board, and in a moment a lump raised on the sound of a hammer hitting a board, and in a moment a lump raised on the lost their first game in the Motional Collegiate Association at the Hotel Astor. Few people ever in the big tourney.

The loss of two games places the Brooklyn team in third position, and then articles have at the Roreman to much, as he proved by his speech.

Willie's head bounced up and back. An invisible uppercut had caught him under the chin. Twice Lewis swung hard rights to Willie's chin, shaking him and for a moment bringing him up all standing. Lewis seemed to be

Ritchie tried everything he knew, perately, rushing and throwing all. more desperately round after round. his strength into every effort. Some of his blows reached their mark, and But Lewis was the faster and more accurate hitter. He was tricky, hard to chica and a Tartur when cornered. He outpusched Willie in the mixing Afrer each round Ritchie's seconds worked himself, let had the fight won, anyway. He couldn't lose except by a knockonds worked himself himself to patch him up for the next one. And he needed some patching. Agrees the way Lewis, as slight flush over his tallowy cheeks as slight flush over his tallowy cheeks. Lewis will make a likely contender recessary to work over him.

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Record-Breaking Crowd Sees Park Row Beat **Brooklyn Grand Central**

Visitors Carry Off the Honors in Two of the Three Games in The Evening World Three-Man Amateur Bowling Tournament, Enright's 211 Being the High Score of the Series.

SCHEDULE TO-NIGHT. Grand Central at Bergman Bros.

THE Park Row champions visited the Brooklyn Grand Central last night and managed to carry off the honors in two of the three

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AKRON, O., Dec. 29.—Johnny Griffiths of Akron and Jack Britton of Chicago boxed tweive rounds to a draw here last night. The two men boxed each other to a standstill. Griffiths used every trick he had in stock, but he could not put over the winning blow, for Britton was just as shifty as ever.

It was a corking battle. There was not an idle moment. The speed, blocking, footwork and headwork of the two artistic rivals should be spoken of only in the superlative. There was no time when either man was in danger of a knockout.

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There was not a knockdown nor anything that resembled one, and the few drops of blood spilled were those that leaked from between Griffiths's lips as the result of a stinging right to the mouth in one of the early rounds. But there were a thousand or so good hard jolts sent home which caused both men to wince.

James Gilmore is responsible for

A SWINGING STRAIGHT-ARM

WILLIES CHIN OR CAUGHT

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Griffiths and

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Box Fast Draw

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THE WORLD TOURNEY.

Gallant Defeats Youkum DENVER, Dec. 29.—Gilbert Gallant,

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JIM GILMORE RETURNS; F you, Mr. Fan, had looked ten REPORTED HE'LL HEAD \$1,000 bills in the face and had

Jim Gilmore, whose handling of Federal League affairs was largeby responsible for Organized Base-ball recognizing that body and coming to a peace agreement with it, is back in town. Jim is all smiles, too. He won't tell just why he is smiling these days. He has been mentioned as a residual has been mentioned as a possible major league club President at either Chicago or St. Louis, and it is also reported that they want him to succeed Garry Herrmann as Chairman of the National Com-mission.

Of \$10,000 Turned Down

By Baker, Home Run King

Jim Gilmore Tells How Efforts of Federal League Failed to Land

Athletics' Star Just Before Baseball Peace Was Declared-

Now Baker Must Take What Magnates Are Willing to Pay.

By Bozeman Bulger.

Every now and then articles have reached print recording the fact that he had taken an afternon off to play golf, but few people ever believed that he took enough interest in sport to come all the way from New Haven to make a speech in its behalf.

The feature of Taff's speech was his attack on summer basebali. He said that he was aware that there were cases in which summer basebali. He said that he was aware that there were cases in which summer basebali worked no evil but as a general rule favors that a rule be drafted that it the favors that a rule be drafted that it the genial ex-President also went on record are recorded to the property of the cause of the clevel in the full objection. It may be that the control of the full objection. It may be that the said that he was aware that there which may be detrimental to its tone ganized Basebali was about to be and though in individual instances it might work no harm whatever, its general tendency requires a great te

spective colleges, promising support called for the purpose of helping out to them in their college course. He Mr. Somers it also gives the Amersaid he did not believe that any one ican League a chance to appear at the

NATIONAL COMMISSION.

as Chairman of the National Commission.

"There can be no hitch in this
peace agreement," said Gilmore.

"It is final and certain. Even
the petty differences of the International League will be swept
aside presently. The Federals are
pleased with their trades with
Organized Baseball, and I hope
that O. B. feels the same way.

"The Eastern office of the Federal League will be open for a
month or more. There are many
financial matters to be attended
to which will keep all hands busy
I am not at liberty yet to explain
any of the business details. Harry
F. Sinclair will be back here soon,
and possibly he'll do so."

Increased. They have approximated the skill of professionals in the same fields and the temptations to professionalism, temporary and permanent, have become stronger and stronger. The rules of eligibility therefore have become more important in order to keep the taint of professionalism out of college athletics.

"When the question of summer base-ball first presented itself, it seemed to the ordinary observer that there was not any more reason for excluding from a college team a man who played summer ball in order to make enough more to resume his college course, than for them excluding the man who

It has been agreed that the Yanks will have the first chance at Lee Ma-gee, the star of the Brockfeds, and Home Run Baker. The signing of them is merely a matter of money. Harry Sinclair says that he has been Harry Sinclair says that he has been offered \$15,000 for Magee, but he considers that too little. It is pretty certain, however, that he will get no more and will be pretty lucky if he gets that. By combining against Mr. Sinclair the Organized Baseball magnates could make the prices what they please unless some one should break the pact, as is usual in all combinations, and throw in a chunk of money to get a champlonship club. noney to get a championship club The price for Home Run Baker is a matter between Huston and Rup-pert and Connie Mack. The Feds have no say so in his case and they are congratulating themselves that

John M. Ward, attorney for Benn Kauff, the outfielder, in his auit agains the New York Glants for a bonus of \$5,000, declared yenterday that Harry sinclair had no claim on the services of Kauff and that the outfielder was a free agent and could sign with whatever clube desired. According to Ward, Kaul over signed with the Brookfed less than the signed with the signed with

BLOOM GETS DECISION: RAW DEAL, SAYS CURLEY.

(Special to The Evening World.)

"But, of course, if it is necessary to actisfy those who have claims on me I will do it. I am told, though, that my baseball friends are going to help me through."

Rich men of the American League like Comiskey, Huston, Ruppert and Lannin are at Cleveland to-day to give a helping hand. Ban Johnson is engineering it.

While this Cleveland meeting is called for the purpose of helping out Mr. Somers it also gives the American League a chance to appear at the Cincinnati meeting with a solid front and a definite plan.

The magnates will decide among themselves what clubs are to be helped by the acquisition of Federal League players, and when the National Leaguers lay their cards on the table there will be little to be done except pass over the coin to Harry Sinclair and take the contracts.

When that is done Judge Landis, it is understood, will consent to the dispense of the contracts. BOSTON, Dec. 29 .- In a fast bout

GIANTS TO PLAY TIGERS AND YANKS THREE GAMES EACH

New York Nationals Make Early Announcement of Their Spring Schedule.

With the Giants already announcing their spring exhibition game schedule, the 1916 baseball seaso. dcesn't seem very far away.

Fifteen games are on the Giants' exhibition schedule. Three will be played with the Detroit Tigers in the South and three with the Yankess at the Polo Grounds, the latter on April 7, 8 and 10.

The full squad of Giants, including veterans and youngsters. will reach the training camp at Marlin. Tex., about March 1. Until March 10 the Giants will iron the kinks out of

Masked Marvel
Makes Tofalos
Quit in Bout
The mysterious Masked Marvel
forced Demetrius Tofalos, the Greek
strong man, to quit after thirty minutes of spirited wrestling in the international wrestling tournament at
the Manhattan Opera House last
night.
The bout between Vladek, Zbyssko
and Jack McGrath was declared a
draw by Referee Bothner after they
had wrestled about one hour and forty minutes. McGrath was declared a
draw by Referee Bothner after they
had wrestled about one hour and forty minutes. McGrath did the leading,
while Zbyssko was content to stall.
In the bouts to-night Strangler
Lewis, who threw the Masked Marvel,
will attempt to throw Alex. Aberg,
the world's champion. The Masked
Marvel will try to add Helmar Johnson to his long list of victories when
they meet on the mat to-night.

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Fistic News and Gossip - By John Pollock

Champion Willie Ritchie, who was de- Ardle of the Fairment A. C. has Champion Willie Ritchie, who was decisively outpointed by Ted "Kid" Lewis
in a bout at Madison Square Garden last
night, received \$3,000 fc his end. This
amount was Willie's guarantee, taking
this aum rather then exercising an opthis sum rather than exercising an option of 30 per cent. of the gross receipts. Lewis got \$1,766, which was 25 per cent. wen six fights in succession at the club in Phila-of the receipts, less the State tax. The delphia was matched to-day by Billy Neuman, State received \$572.92. The tickets sold his manager, to fight Johnny Kilbane, the feath-

Packer McFerland watched the bout between Packey MaFarland watched the bout between littichie and Lewis last night, and when the some up man over, a friend of his turned to him and said: his w "What do you think of Lewis, Packey!" "He is a wonderful fighter," replied Packey, "but if they of Au will give me the money I want I will take him placed on, and I am sure that I will outpoint him."

Ted "Kid" Lewis, secompanied by his manager, Jimmy Johnston, will leave for Buffalo to-morrow night, where he is slated to meet Knock-out Brennan, the crack middleweight of that city, in a tan-round bout before the Queensberry A. Con New Year's afternoon. The men will fight at 152 younds, weight in at the ring side, Brennan demanding this weight. Lewis is to receive a guarantee of \$1,500, with an option of 25 per cent, of the receives.

Lew Bodle, the heavyweight of California, who stands 6 feet 7 inches in height and who was brought here by Henry Indinger, manager of Tom McCarty, the Montana heavyweight, is now under the management of Heavy Polick. Heavy says he intends to start Bodie in about two weeks.

Sam McVey, the colored heavyweight, having injured his hand while in training for his bout with John Lester Johnson, Matchingser Tom MeWhen ordering saye

John Reisler has taken another baxer under his management. It seems that as fast as he give up managing one boxer he takes another under his wing. Jimmy Coffer, the Mohawk Indian, who recently returned from a successful invesion of Australia, is the latest boxer tast John has a placed under contract. Relaier mys he has many

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